

1 It seems to me that it has the benefit not
2 only in court interpretation, but also to allow the pub-
3 lic to know if it so desires, to allow the various political
4 subdivisions and their officers to learn, what was said
5 and what the responses were, and who took what positions
6 in the debates of the General Assembly.

7 I feel that keeping the transcript provision
8 will assist in what we have been trying to do, and that
9 is to let the legislature know that the eyes and ears of
10 the people of the state of Maryland are trained upon it,
11 that they are expected to and undoubtedly will react in a
12 more responsible manner, and that this visibility which we
13 have sought throughout the entire legislative article will
14 continue to be made available.

15 I don't think that in the age of the Sputnik
16 and the age of the laser, in the age of all modern de-
17 vices, that have aided mankind, that a little old steno-
18 graphic machine is going to be the difference in life and
19 death between the success or failure of the General
20 Assembly, and I submit that these artificial obstacles
21 are more in the way of light impediments than any genuine